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From

The Secretary to Government,
Development Department,
Fort St. George, Madras

To

The Secretary,
The Indian Sailors', Soldiers' and Airmen's Board,
Government of India, Ministry of Defence,
NEW DELHI

Dated Fort St. George the 12th March, 1949.

Sir,

Post War Reconstruction - Resettlement of Ex-Servicemen - Composition and duties of Provincial and District Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen Boards - Modifications.

Letter from the Indian Sailors', Soldiers' and Airmen's Board, No.2-S-B(2)/48, dated 27-7-48 addressed to the Secretaries, All Provincial Sailors', Soldiers' and Airmen's Boards.

I am directed to state that the Government of Madras agree to the modifications proposed by the Government of India in para 3 of the letter cited in regard to the composition and functions of the Provincial and District Sailors', Soldiers' and Airmen Boards subject to the following remarks:

(i) Provincial Sailors', Soldiers' and Airmen's Board:

(A) COMPOSITION:-

Item (3): Instead of Secretary, Revenue Department, this Government propose to nominate to the Board, the Commissioner of Land Revenue, Excise and Prohibition as he is a touring officer and is in touch with opinion in the districts.

Item (6): Of the two members to be nominated from the Provincial Legislature one should be from the Assembly and the other from the Council The nomination may be made by the Hon. Minister in charge of the subject.

Item (7): The composition of the Provincial Board of this Province already includes seven persons in their personal capacity who are interested in the welfare of the Armed Forces. In view of this, this Government consider that no change as proposed by the Indian Board is necessary.

(ii) District Sailors' Soldiers' and Airmen's Boards:-

(A) COMPOSITION:

Item (3) - As there are no Civil Liaison Officers now in this Province, this may be omitted so far as this Province is concerned.

Item (6) - There are no Presidents of District Local Boards now in this Province and Collectors of districts are in charge of these boards as

Special Officers. Until the electoral rolls are prepared on the basis of adult franchise under the new Constitution, District Local Boards are likely to continue to be in charge of Special Officers. It is therefore suggested that "Special Officer-in-Charge of District Local Board" may be substituted for "President, District Local Board"

In regard to the proposal for the appointment of a whole-time Secretary where the number of servicemen and ex-servicemen in the district justifies it, I am to state that there are no paid Secretaries now in this Province, and that the District Employment Officers are the ex-officio Secretaries to District Sailors', Soldiers' and Airmen's Boards. Therefore posts of full-time paid Secretaries are not necessary in this Province.

As regards the desirability of appointing Sub-Committees to assist District Boards in discharging its functions in any Tahsil or in a group of Tahsils, I am to state that there are already Taluk Soldiers' Committees in all the taluks of this Province.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/ ** **
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Copy to the Secretary, Madras Provincial Sailors', Soldiers' and Airmen's Board, Cathedral P.O., Madras.

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